ROBERT BENAVIDEZ



Robert Benavidez, 77, of Barstow, entered into eternal rest August 7, 2011. Born in Pobadera, New Mexico on July 13, 1934, he was a resident of Barstow 70 years.

Robert was married to his wife Irene for 57 years, and was employed with the Marine Base NEBO for 42 years. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, and had a fondness for being a pitching coach for Little League Baseball, woodworking and playing horseshoes.

He is survived by his wife, Irene; and children, Chris Benavidez, Marlene Sanchez (husband Rick), Gloria Marecek (husband Bill), Diana Shirtcliff (husband Dennis), Theresa Duncan (husband Kenney), Roberta Benavidez and Lisa Boyt (husband Charlie); his grandchildren, Ashley Mackinnon, Tracy Martinez (husband Manuel II), Steven Marecek, Kenney Duncan, Eric Marecek, and Dakota Duncan; his great-grandchildren, Ariana Martinez, Manuel Martinez III, Xzavier Delozier and Silas Duncan; his brother, Morris Chavez; and his sister, Erlinda Gurril.

A Celebration of Robert's Life will be held Friday August 12, 2011 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 505 East Mountain View in Barstow. A visitation will begin at 9 a.m., with Rosary at 10 a.m., followed by Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. Burial will follow at Mountain View Memorial Park, 37067 Irwin Road in Barstow. Arrangements entrusted to Horizon Memorial Services of Barstow, 760-252-5222. Published in the Daily Press from August 10 to August 20, 2011